

# Chicago Window Repair Cost Checklist

Find out what your window repair might cost by reviewing the key factors that influence pricing, and get a clearer picture of your expected repair budget.



## Damage & Condition

Question	Check
My window has visible cracks or broken glass.	
There is moisture, fogging, or condensation between panes.	
The window seal appears damaged or ineffective.	
The frame shows signs of rot, swelling, or deterioration.	
Hardware such as locks, hinges, or operators is not functioning.	
The sash sticks, misaligns, or does not move smoothly.	

## Window Type & Complexity

Question	Check
My window is a casement, bay/bow, picture, or skylight style.	
The window has double- or triple-pane insulated glass.	
The window contains tempered, laminated, Low-E, or specialty glass.	
My home has older or custom-built windows that may need special parts.	

## Material Factors

Question	Check
My windows are made of wood.	
My windows are made of aluminum or aluminum-clad material.	
My windows use composite, fiberglass, or other premium materials.	

The material shows signs of moisture exposure or climate-related wear.

## Location & Accessibility

Question	Check
The damaged window is on the second floor or higher.	
The window is in a tight or difficult-to-access location.	
The window is exposed to Chicago lakefront weather conditions.	
The location requires HOA/condo approval or special compliance.	

## Repair Scope

Question	Check
The repair likely involves replacing an insulated glass unit (IGU).	
The repair may require rebuilding or replacing parts of the frame.	
Multiple windows need repair at the same time.	
The job may require specialized tools, ladders, or additional labor.	

## Cost Sensitivity

Question	Check
I am concerned that labor costs will increase the total repair price.	
I need the window fixed urgently, possibly requiring emergency service.	
I am deciding strictly based on repair vs. replacement value.	

## How to Interpret Your Results

0–5 checks: Your repair may be simple and low-cost.

6–12 checks: Your repair likely falls in the mid-range.

13+ checks: Your window repair may be complex or higher-cost.